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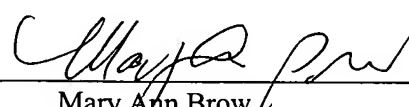
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- U.S. Patent No. 5,770,365;
- Francois *et al.*, "Recognition and cleavage of hairpin structures in nucleic acids by oligodeoxynucleotides," NAR 22:3943-3950 (1994)

- Azhayeva *et al.*, "Looped oligonucleotides form stable hybrid complexes with a single-strained DNA," NAR 23:1170-1176 (1995)

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